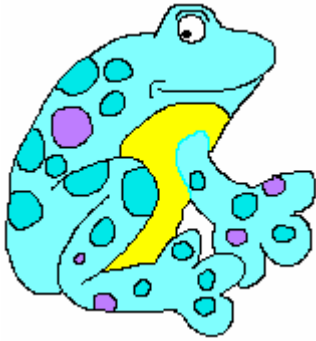


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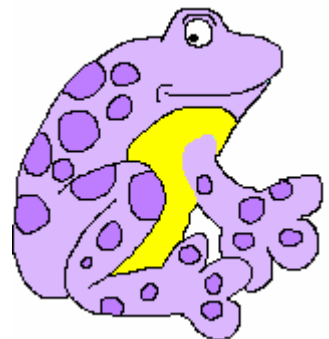
The Blue Frog



Blaney was a very unusual frog. She was light blue with dark blue polka dots and had a yellow belly. She was very beautiful. Everyone thought so.

One day she noticed some of her spots were changing. They were turning purple. She had heard about the purple spot disease, but she never imagined she would get it. She thought to herself, *"I must have eaten some of those purple mushrooms that are known to cause it. Oh! No! If my spots change to purple I might not be so lovely any more."*

Blaney went to the doctor. He told her she could not get rid of the purple spots. They were permanent! She was upset at first, but then she decided that she liked the color purple. *"In fact,"* she thought, *"why not change all of my spots to purple?"* She ate a whole slew of purple mushrooms and eventually she became entirely purple, except for her yellow belly. She was very beautiful. Everyone thought so.



Name _____ Date _____

Answer the following questions about "The Blue Frog"

1. Why was Blaney unusual?

2. What did Blaney notice about her spots?

3. Why did her spots change to purple?

4. What was Blaney's main concern when she started turning purple?

5. Who did Blaney go to see about her disease?

6. What does the word *permanent* mean?

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7. How did Blaney completely change herself to purple?

8. Was Blaney still considered beautiful after she changed from blue to purple? **Yes** or **No**

9. What part of Blaney's body remained the same?

10. Who thought she was beautiful?

11. What does the word *slew* mean?

12. Is this story fiction or nonfiction?

13. What is a synonym for the word *beautiful*? _ _ _ _ _

14. What is a synonym for the word *completely*? _ _ _ _ _

15. What should be the title for this story now?

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1. She was unusual because she was blue with dark blue polka dots and she had a yellow belly.
2. She noticed her spots were changing to purple.
3. Her spots changed to purple because she ate some purple mushrooms.
4. Her main concern was that she might not be lovely any more.
5. She went to see the doctor.
6. Permanent means remaining the same without change.
7. She changed herself to purple by eating more purple mushrooms.
8. Yes
9. The part that remained the same was her yellow belly.
10. Everyone thought she was beautiful.
11. Slew means a whole bunch or a lot.
12. The story is fiction.
13. l o v e l y
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